MR. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY (Bowringpet—Rural).—

Q.—139 Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) When the Government Soap Factory was started ?

(*b*) the capital invested on the same so far ?

(*c*) the profits earned and the percentage of profits in relation to the capital each year from the year of its starting ?

(*d*) whether any proposals have been received to purchase the concern ?

(*e*) if so, by whom and the terms offered by them ?

(*f*) whether they intend to sell the same and if so, the terms on which they are prepared to do so ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. V. Vedavyasacharya).—

A.—(*a*) 1918.

(*b*) Rs. 4,60,850.

(*c*) This information cannot be furnished.

(*d*) There was an informal meeting of certain gentlemen in the Soap Factory premises on 1st August 1941 to explore the question of floating a Joint Stock concern, in connection with the expansion of the Factory but the idea was not further pursued.

(*e*) Does not arise.

(*f*) No.

MR. H. P. BASAPPA (Heggaddevankote—Rural).—

Q.—143. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of revenue collected by the Patel and Shanbhog of Karigala per head during June 1940 and that credited into the treasury ;

(*b*) whether it is the Shanbhog or the Patel who retained the amount collected without crediting the same into the treasury ; what is the amount so retained by each of them ;

(*c*) whether it is the Patel or the Shanbhog that is responsible for the money ;

(*d*) the reason for leaving such a heavy amount with the Shanbhog ;

(*e*) whether the Patel had brought with him the *khirdi* or not when he had come to credit the amount ;

(*f*) how was the amount mentioned by the Patel credited to the treasury in the absence of the *khirdi* ;

(*g*) whether the *potgi* amount was not being disbursed to the Patel and the Shanbhog every year ; what is the amount of *potgi* of each ;

(*h*) the amounts credited by these officers during 1937-38, 1938-39, 1939-40 and 1940-41 each month separately on behalf of the village (separate figures to be given) ;

(*i*) how many petitions were received from January 1941 to June 1941 alleging that the Patel and Shanbhog defalcated the land revenue collection and on what date ;

(*j*) the reason for the delay in taking action on the petition ;

(*k*) the reason for not having taken action against the Patel when the Government are taking action against the Shanbhog and proceeding with it ?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (*Rajasevaprasakta* B. T. Kesavaiengar).—

A.—(*a*)—

	Amount collected.	*Amount credited.*
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By the Patel (H. K. Thimmiah) ...	115-5-9	115-5-9
By the Shanbhog (K. S. Shama Rao)...	689-0-2	...

(*b*) The Shanbhog. Besides the amount mentioned above, the Shanbhog also retained Rs. 61-6-0 collected prior to June 1940.

(*c*) In this instance, the Shanbhog who had the money. The Patel is usually responsible for the collection.

(*d*) The misappropriation of kandayam was not known till the end of June 1940.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) The amount was credited to the treasury on a statement in which the Patel had furnished details for the amount collected.

(*g*) Yes.

The *potgi* amounts are as under:

Shanbhog's *potgi* Rs. 132. Patel's *potgi* Rs. 95.

(*h*) *Vide* statement appended.

(*i*) Two petitions against the Patel, one on 17-2-1941 and the other on 26-4-1941.

(*j*) and (*k*) The local officers after enquiry considered that no action was called for.

MR. G. AHMED KHAN (Mysore City—Mahomedan—Urban).—

Q.—144. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any action was taken on the last year's representation of the citizens of Mysore to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja for reducing the number of hours of work given to the Toll-Gate Manegers employed by the Mysore City Municipality;

(*b*) whether there area large number of resignations from these Manegars for the past five years; if so, the reasons therefor?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V. Narayana Rao).—

A.—(*a*) A petition dated nil and addressed to the Chief Secretary to Government under the heading "The Manegars of the Mysore Municipality and their plight" was sent to the President, Mysore City Municipal Council, for disposal. When an enquiry of the Manegars was made in the matter, they declared in writing that they had not made any complaint regarding the existing hours of work at the ookads and toll-gates. The petition was accordingly filed. The existing hours of work of the Manegars are as follows:—

6 A.M. to 1 P.M.
1 P.M. to 8 P.M.
8 P.M. to 6 A.M. the next day.

This system is being continued from August 1925 and there is no change therein, as it is working satisfactorily.

(*b*) No. The number resigned during the last five years is only ten, which is due to their taking up jobs in other departments, continuance of studies, etc.